

Graduation Requirements

REQUIREMENTS FOR DIPLOMA ENDORSEMENTS

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses	Local Diploma	Regents Diploma	Advanced Regents Diploma
English	4 Units	4 Units	4 Units
Social Studies	4 Units	4 Units	4 Units
Mathematics	3 Units	3 Units	3 Units
Science	3 Units	3 Units	3 Units
Health	½ Unit	½ Unit	½ Unit
Art and/or Music	1 Unit	1 Unit	1 Unit
Core Credits	15 ½	15 ½	15 ½
Language Other Than English (LOTE) Spanish, French	1 Unit*	1 Unit*	3 Units**
Physical Education	2 Units	2 Units	2 Units
Electives	3 ½ Units	3 ½ Units	1 ½ Units
Total Required Credits (Minimum)	22	22	22

* All students must obtain 1 unit in a Language Other Than English, which can be earned by passing the New York State Proficiency examination or by passing a high school level language course.

** Students acquiring 5 units in Art or Music or Technology may be exempted from the 3-unit requirement in a Language Other Than English.

REQUIRED REGENTS EXAMS

For Students first entering Grade 9 in 2005

Local Diploma	Regents Diploma	Advanced Regents Diploma
Comprehensive English Regents	Comprehensive English Regents	Comprehensive English Regents
Math A Regents ¹	Math A Regents ¹	Math A Regents ¹ Math B Regents ² <i>or</i> Algebra 2/Trigonometry ³
Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents	Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents	Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents
1 Science Regents Exam	1 Science Regents Exam	2 Science Regents Exams one from each category: 1) Living Environment 2) Physical Setting
		LOTE Regents ⁵ (Languages Other Than English)
5 Required Regents Exams – with grades of 65 or better on 2 exams.	5 Required Regents Exams - with grades of 65 or better on all exams.	7 or 8 Required Regents Exams - with grades of 65 or better on all exams.

¹ The last administration of the Math A Regents exam will occur in January 2009.

² The last administration of the Math B Regents exam will occur in June 2010.

³ The first administration of the Algebra 2/Trigonometry exam will occur in June 2010.

⁴ Students completing a sequence of not less than 5 credits in Art, Music or Technology are not required to pass the LOTE (Languages Other Than English) Regents Exam.

Note: The State Board of Regents approved moving the passing score for Regents exams back to 65 for all diplomas. The transition would be phased in as follows:

- **For students entering 9th grade in 2005:** General education students must have at least two scores at 65 or above on the five required Regents exams and all remaining scores at 55 or above.

Students would also be required, as before, to pass their courses and earn 22 course credits.

(As outlined on page 5)

REQUIRED REGENTS EXAMS

For Students first entering Grade 9 in 2006

Local Diploma	Regents Diploma	Advanced Regents Diploma
Comprehensive English Regents	Comprehensive English Regents	Comprehensive English Regents
1 Math Regents Exam <i>either</i> Math A Regents ¹ <i>or</i> Integrated Algebra ²	1 Math Regents Exam <i>either</i> Math A Regents ¹ <i>or</i> Integrated Algebra ²	2 Math Regents Exams <i>one from either</i> Math A Regents ¹ <i>or</i> Integrated Algebra ² <i>one from either</i> Math B Regents ³ <i>or</i> Algebra 2/Trigonometry ⁴
Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents	Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents	Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents
1 Science Regents Exam	1 Science Regents Exam	2 Science Regents Exams one from each category: 1) Living Environment 2) Physical Setting
		LOTE Regents ⁵ (Languages Other Than English)
5 Required Regents Exams – with grades of 65 or better on 3 exams.	5 Required Regents Exams - with grades of 65 or better on all exams.	7 or 8 Required Regents Exams - with grades of 65 or better on all exams.

¹ The last administration of the Math A Regents exam will occur in January 2009.

² The first administration of the Integrated Algebra Regents exam occurred in June 2008.

³ The last administration of the Math B Regents exam will occur in June 2010.

⁴ The first administration of the Algebra 2/Trigonometry exam will occur in June 2010.

⁵ Students completing a sequence of not less than 5 credits in Art, Music or Technology are not required to pass the (LOTE) Languages Other Than English Regents Exam.

Note: The State Board of Regents approved moving the passing score for Regents exams back to 65 for all diplomas. The transition would be phased in as follows:

- **For students entering 9th grade in 2006:** General education students must have at least three scores at 65 or above on the five required Regents exams and all remaining scores at 55 or above.

Students would also be required, as before, to pass their courses and earn 22 course credits.

REQUIRED REGENTS EXAMS

For Students first entering Grade 9 in 2007

Local Diploma	Regents Diploma	Advanced Regents Diploma
Comprehensive English Regents	Comprehensive English Regents	Comprehensive English Regents
1 Math Regents Exam <i>either</i> Math A Regents ¹ <i>or</i> Integrated Algebra ²	1 Math Regents Exam <i>either</i> Math A Regents ¹ <i>or</i> Integrated Algebra ²	2 Math Regents Exam Math A Regents ¹ <i>and</i> Math B Regents ³
		3 Math Regents Exam Integrated Algebra ² Geometry ⁴ Algebra 2/Trigonometry ⁵
Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents	Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents	Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents
1 Science Regents Exam	1 Science Regents Exam	2 Science Regents Exams one from each category: 1) Living Environment 2) Physical Setting
		LOTE Regents ⁶ (Languages Other Than English)
5 Required Regents Exams – with grades of 65 or better on 4 exams.	5 Required Regents Exams - with grades of 65 or better on all exams.	7, 8 or 9 Required Regents Exams - with grades of 65 or better on all exams.

¹ The last administration of the Math A Regents exam will occur in January 2009.

² The first administration of the Integrated Algebra Regents exam occurred in June 2008.

³ The last administration of the Math B Regents exam will occur in June 2010.

⁴ The first administration of the Geometry Regents exam will occur in June 2009.

⁵ The first administration of the Algebra 2/Trigonometry exam will occur in June 2010.

⁶ Students completing a sequence of not less than 5 credits in Art, Music or Technology are not required to pass the (LOTE) Languages Other Than English Regents Exam.

Note: The State Board of Regents approved moving the passing score for Regents exams back to 65 for all diplomas. The transition would be phased in as follows:

- **For students entering 9th grade in 2007:** General education students must have at least four scores at 65 or above on the five required Regents exams and all remaining scores at 55 or above.

Students would also be required, as before, to pass their courses and earn 22 course credits.

REQUIRED REGENTS EXAMS

For Students first entering Grade 9 in 2008 and beyond

Local Diploma (Students with disabilities only)	Regents Diploma	Advanced Regents Diploma
Comprehensive English Regents	Comprehensive English Regents	Comprehensive English Regents
Integrated Algebra ¹	Integrated Algebra ¹	3 Math Regents Exams Integrated Algebra ¹ Geometry ² Algebra 2/Trigonometry ³
Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents	Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents	Global History & Geography Regents U.S. History & Government Regents
1 Science Regents Exam	1 Science Regents Exam	2 Science Regents Exams one from each category: 1) Living Environment 2) Physical Setting
		LOTE Regents ⁴ (Languages other than English)
5 Required Regents Exams – with grades of 65 or better on all exams.	5 Required Regents Exams - with grades of 65 or better on all exams.	7, 8 or 9 Required Regents Exams - with grades of 65 or better on all exams.

¹ The first administration of the Integrated Algebra Regents exam occurred in June 2008.

² The first administration of the Geometry Regents exam will occur in June 2009.

³ The first administration of the Algebra 2/Trigonometry exam will occur in June 2010.

⁴ Students completing a sequence of not less than 5 credits in Art, Music or Technology are not required to pass the (LOTE) Languages Other Than English Regents Exam.

Note: The State Board of Regents approved moving the passing score for Regents exams back to 65 for all diplomas. The transition would be phased in as follows:

- **For students entering 9th grade in 2008 & beyond:** General education students must pass all five required Regents exams at a score of 65 or above.

Students would also be required, as before, to pass their courses and earn 22 course credits.